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The Chinese Communist East China Parachute Force recently received orders to increase its strength to 10,000 men and was assigned to the East China Air Force Command. This unit was formerly known as the Parachute Brigade of the East China Military and Political College. The Revolutionary Military Council has just unified all military training agencies throughout the country. The East China College was abolished on 31 March 1951.

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